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## 'Militarization' of The Hat doesn't sit well with residents

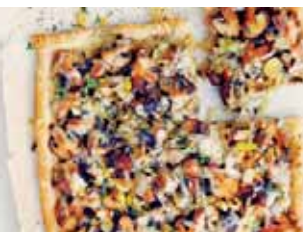
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# Stink raised over beef plant near city limits

**Mayor Nenshi has a beef.** Communities have edged closer since original site shut down

Tensions appear to be sizzling in Calgary's far northeast as both residents and the mayor question whether they can really live in harmony with a soon-to-open beef plant nearby.

Harmony Beef, run by veteran Colorado meat producer Rich Vesta, will replace the ill-fated Rancher's Beef, which shut down in 2007 just 14 months after it was opened by a group looking for a work-around to ongoing U.S. border issues in the wake of the BSE crisis. It's expected the site will begin trucking in dozens of cattle for slaughter daily next

spring or summer.

But Vesta said Wednesday that Mayor Naheed Nenshi wrote a letter in late August to an elected Rocky View County representative expressing concern about the proximity of his Balzac-area site to north-east communities, located just across Stoney Trail N.E., and the potential foul odours that could emanate from it.

"The fact of the matter is I don't need any approval to run the plant," Vesta said, adding he's seen no evidence that Rancher's ever generated an odour complaint. "The plant is here, it's been approved, it's run before, and the way we run a plant is at a higher level than anyone in this province has ever run a plant."

Area Coun. Jim Stevenson, however, noted that the closest communities to Harmony — Skyview Ranch, Redstone and

the future NorthPoint development — didn't exist when the former plant was in operation. He said he's convened meetings with Alberta Environment representatives in recent weeks to discuss a new water-treatment system that will run at the plant that wasn't part of the Rancher's facility.

"We're worried about the odour concerns ... we think with a water-purification system like that, they should require approvals from the province," Stevenson said.

Frederic Ghogomu, president of the Skyview Ranch Community Association, said he too worries the plant could affect quality of life in the neighbourhood.

"We have concerns," he said.

"We would like to know more about it before it opens."

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO



## LATE OUTDOORSMAN 'LOVED THE MOUNTAINS'

Jeff Ripley, a 26-year-old hunting guide from the Alberta town of Magrath, died Monday after falling from a mountain. He is being remembered by his wife and father-in-law for always having a smile on his face and being extremely dedicated to the clients he took into the wilderness. For more on this story, head to page 8. CONTRIBUTED

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Action Plan 2015-2018

## Budget calls for funding boost, 'policy changes' in snow, ice control

Calgary aims to expand snow and ice control to better serve seniors, transit users, cyclists, pedestrians and people with mobility challenges as part of its financial plan for the next four years.

The city budget, dubbed Action Plan 2015-2018, still needs to be approved by council, but the document prepared by city staff describes responsive snow and ice control as well as high-quality roads and sidewalks as a "top priority."

The plan calls for the total snow and ice control budget to grow to \$47.9 million in 2018, up from \$41.7 million this year, as well as "policy changes" in how money is allocated.

Mayor Naheed Nenshi said citizens will still be responsible for clearing the snow from sidewalks in front of their homes, but Coun. Richard Pootmans said the city could take a larger role in clearing pedestrian routes such as so-called "engineered walkways" that fall into a "grey area" of responsibility.

"There are some areas I have noticed where I think we should step up more than we do, and this is a signal that we are prepared to do that," Pootmans said.

Pedestrian advocate Dale Calkins said timely clearing of sidewalks leading to bus stops and C-Train stations is particularly important for those who rely on transit.

"Those people often don't have another way of getting to where they need to go," Calkins said.

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The emergency department sign at the Rockyview Hospital in Calgary. METRO FILE

# Ambulances again told to avoid Rockyview ER

**'EMS avoidance.'** Calls instruct workers to divert patients to less busy hospitals, despite addition of new beds



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Overcrowding in the emergency room at Calgary's Rockyview Hospital led to two more "EMS avoidance" calls last month, despite the addition of extra beds following several such incidents in late September.

Alberta Health Services spokesman Bruce Conway said eight care spaces from the hospital's decommis-

sioned "medical assessment unit" were repurposed for emergency-department use on Oct. 14 as a "short-term measure" to address recent surges in ER arrivals.

Despite that step, on two occasions last month — Oct. 24 and Oct. 27 — Conway said ambulances were instructed to avoid bringing patients to Rockyview and to divert to other hospitals instead, due to overcrowding in the ER.

Rockyview "continues to use the eight beds it opened as a temporary measure to help ease capacity pressures in the Emergency Department," Conway said in an email.

Those beds are operating 24 hours a day, Monday to Friday, he added.

Wildrose health critic Heather Forsyth previously

## More spaces

- Premier Jim Prentice recently announced that 464 continuing care spaces would be created in the next 12 months by reallocating health spending.
- In the next phase of the plan, he said the province

would also help patients waiting in acute care with \$60 million in funding under the "Affordable Supportive Living Initiative."

- The province expects the changes to free up beds for both acute care and ER use.

described the addition of the eight beds as a "Band-Aid solution" and said Wednesday she wasn't surprised to hear of the additional EMS avoidance calls.

"They're doing a short-term fix that isn't even short-term fixing anything," Forsyth said.

Addressing the issue will

require more long-term strategies, particularly the creation of more long-term care nursing beds for seniors, Forsyth added, but quick action on the emergency room crunch is required, too.

"They have to open up some beds immediately," she said. "We're not even in the full flu season yet."

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# Police and mental health: 'We're not immune from those issues'



A panel speaks about Calgary Police Service's adoption of the Road to Mental Readiness program. HELEN PIKE/METRO

**Road to Mental Readiness.** Calgary's force ramps up mental health awareness with first-of-its-kind program in Canada



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Taking care of mental health and catching the early signs of mental-health issues before they become debilitating — that's what the Calgary Police Service is hoping will come from its new Road to Mental Readiness program.

"We want to make sure as an organization we're the organization that our employ-

ees know they can come to us and ask for that kind of support," said Deputy Chief Roger Chaffin during a press conference Wednesday. "We know in every walk of life that mental-health challenges are becoming one of the fastest-rising health issues the community will have — we're not immune from those issues."

The program, designed by Lt. Col. Suzanne Bailey, is adapted from her original initiative made specifically for the Department of National Defence. It gives officers and personnel training to reduce stigma and improve long-term mental-health outcomes.

"Our rates of depression are higher," said Bailey. "The most important (strategy) is increasing their ability to recognize in themselves that

they may be distressed ... to really make it okay to step forward and get some help."

The backbone of the program is a simple four-colour chart to help assess mental health and well-being.

"(We are) able to give them this language to talk about distress and the early impact of mental health," said Bailey.

The Mental Health Commission of Canada (MHCC) congratulated CPS on joining the Road partnership.

"This project is an excellent example of very worthwhile and productive collaborations," said Ed Mantler, MHCC's vice-president of programs and priorities, in a release. "Police services and other law-enforcement agencies across Canada are benefiting tremendously thanks to this partnership."



Master's student Pernille Goodbrand  
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## Study takes on non-conforming secondary suites

The non-conforming secondary suites issue isn't new, but as a University of Calgary master's student puts it, key stakeholders have consistently been left out of the conversation — and she wants to change that.

Pernille Goodbrand, in the department of sociology, launched her study by giving

a voice to renters, who she said haven't had their say in the narrative and continue to be stigmatized.

"I'm trying to talk to renters that are currently living in informal secondary suites within the past three years for any period of time," said Goodbrand. "It's not necessarily about good experi-

ences or bad experiences; it's just about renters' experiences."

Goodbrand has been fascinated about the whole debate and has followed it closely. She said she would like to know more about what it's like to be in a non-conforming suite situation.

Goodbrand was surprised

by Metro's recent coverage of a couple who detailed their time in an "illegal" secondary suite. She said renters often can't come forward for fear of being marginalized by landlords or losing their homes. That's why her study is completely anonymous, allowing renters to come forward without fearing re-

percussions.

"It might be too risky for renters to talk about this subject," she said. "Not everyone can come forward, so I was hoping to give people that wouldn't normally get a chance to come forward and speak up to be able to still talk about their experiences." HELEN PIKE/METRO

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Montreal police Sgt. Laurent Gingras inspects his department's new armoured vehicle at a press launch last year. Medicine Hat is acquiring a similar vehicle. GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

# Medicine Hat police go military

**Justified or overkill?**  
New armoured vehicle to roam streets as early as 2015

Medicine Hat police have a new ride, and it's not sitting well with some citizens.

The town of 61,000 will have a new armoured vehicle on the streets as early as 2015.

The \$275,000 investment was asked for in the 2015 police budget, and councillors approved a borrowing bylaw last week to fund the new vehicle.

"We've had some incidents in the last couple of years involving firearms," said Insp. Tim McGough of support services at the Medicine Hat Police Service. "It would have ensured, to a greater degree, the safety of the public and the safety of the police officers responding."

McGough added that in the last 18 months there were three shooting incidents, and in the past three years police were called to firearm-related incidents 64 times, which is above average. Two of the shootings involved officers.

But Coun. Bill Cocks voted against the heavy-duty vehicle.

"The joke around town is we'll see it a lot," he said Wednesday. "At Canada Day, when they have their public display in the park, you'll see it in the (city's annual) Stampede parade and occasions like that. That is a bit facetious."

McGough assured Metro the vehicle would only be used in extreme cases.

City staff stated in the by-law briefing that the armoured vehicle is a necessary asset to protect officers. It would be used for calls with armed or barricaded subjects, emotionally disturbed persons, hostage situations and high-risk warrant executions.

During a Calgary Police Service press conference, Deputy Chief Roger Chaffin said Medicine Hat's armoured vehicle is just a sign of the times.

"We see what goes on with the perceptions of safety, and our perceptions of safety as well have to be managed," he said.

Calgary police use armoured vehicles as part of their tactical force, along with SUVs and heavy trucks.

In September, during a Medicine Hat community consultation, a resident asked whether anyone considered buying body-worn cameras or police drones instead of an armoured vehicle.

According to city police commission meeting minutes, chair Rolf Traichel responded that the service would like to purchase those items as well, but it came down to a matter of cost.

Cocks, meanwhile, said his stance on the vehicle isn't budging.

"The sense I get from the community is just a very basic, 'We don't need this' reaction," he said. "It's just regarded as not necessary, and more than that, it's regarded as developing or contributing to a sense of the militarization of our police service." **HELEN PIKE/METRO**

## Castle River

### Fossil discovery believed to be new dinosaur species

Severe flooding in southwestern Alberta in 2013 may be responsible for two fishermen discovering the 80-million-year-old fossil of a possible new dinosaur species.

A 1,300-kilogram boulder the men found in the Castle River, southwest of Lethbridge,

in September contains a partial skull, neck and chest of a duck-billed dinosaur.

Officials at the Royal Tyrrell Museum believe floodwater dislodged the big rock and sent it rolling down the river where the fishermen spotted it.

"It is rather surprising that any part of dinosaur fossil could survive being tumbled in a river full of cobbles and boulders," said Donald Henderson, curator of dinosaurs.

"Therefore, we needed to quickly remove the specimen

from the river system to save it for scientific research. Due to the precarious location of the block in the river, the specimen needed to be airlifted by helicopter."

Henderson said hadrosaur fossils are common in several parts of southern Alberta but this find is different.

"These animals were very common in cretaceous Alberta, but this is an entirely new area to find dinosaurs for us and gives us hope that we might find more in the

future," said Henderson.

The retrieved specimen will undergo research by museum scientists to determine whether it is a new species.

Royal Tyrrell spokeswoman Carrie-Anne Lunde said paleontology staff believe the skull is intact and in its original shape. This is considered surprising as fossils are typically found crushed and flattened.

Hadrosaurs were herbivores and have been found in Asia, Europe and North America.

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# Questions raised about U of C bursaries

**Tuition hikes.** Will students get back cash if program fees go up?



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Students at the University of Calgary are question-

ing just how much of the money they could be forced to fork over in additional tuition will actually be returned to them in the form of promised bursaries.

It's expected the province will announce Monday whether it will approve or reject program-specific tuition hikes — known as market modifiers — at numerous Alberta institu-

tions.

In 2010, the U of C's Haskayne School of Business was approved for such hikes in its commerce and business administration programs but pledged to put aside 10 per cent of the additional funds and return it to committed learners in the form of bursaries.

Figures provided by the school, however, indicate

that much of the money remained in a bank account over the years as the U of C refined its qualifying standards. In 2013, for example, \$46,000 was granted to students in \$1,000 increments, but nearly \$115,000 was still not allocated.

The U of C did say that it intends to award the entire lump sum of \$378,000 stored in the bursary fund

this semester — 108 students will receive \$3,500 each.

Jim Dewald, dean of the Haskayne school, said this is the year the bursary "really kicks into gear."

But Levi Nilson with the Students' Union questioned whether the full dole-out only came as a result of probes from student leaders in the Haskayne school.

## Tracking the money

U of C administrators said in an email the original Haskayne bursary was implemented gradually, only applying to 200-level courses in 2011-12, followed by 300- and 400-level offerings in 2012-13 and 2013-14 and, finally, 500-level courses this semester.

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## Calgary Zoo. Woodland caribou dies after 'sudden severe neck trauma'

Officials at the Calgary Zoo say they know little about how a caribou in their care suffered "sudden severe neck trauma" and later died.

Chocolate, a five-month-old woodland caribou, died Nov. 3 after suffering injuries to her neck, which zoo staff believe she incurred the prior weekend.

Spokesperson Trish Exton-Parder said Wednesday the animal-care team responsible for Chocolate had no further updates, except to say that she'd shown "lameness." She was assessed and it was found her neck was broken, Exton-Parder said.

"How she injured herself



A woodland caribou bull is seen in this undated handout photo.

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is unknown, as none of our keepers that care for her witnessed anything unusual," Exton-Parder said.

The zoo has three remaining caribou in its Canadian Wilds area. **JEREMY NOLAÏS/METRO**

## Late October incidents

### Police lay charges in south-end break-ins

Calgary police have laid charges in relation to several south-end break-and-enters but continue to ask for help in solving other similar crimes.

Between Oct. 19 and Oct. 26, 16 break-ins occurred in the communities of Evergreen, Millrise, Auburn Bay, Silverado and Chaparral. In some of the cases, the culprits gained entry to garages by removing door remotes from vehicles parked in driveways. In other cases, the thieves entered through unlocked doors between the garage and house.

Police have laid charges against several people in connection with six of the incidents; at least four were related.

Anyone with information about any of the break-ins is asked to contact police at 403-266-1234 or Crime Stoppers. **METRO**

## Death of Rachel Yee

### Guilty plea in fatal pedestrian hit-and-run from February

There's been a guilty plea in a fatal pedestrian hit-and-run from February 2013, which shocked and angered people throughout the city.

Fifty-six-year-old Rachel Yee was struck while trying to cross Sandstone Drive at Berkshire Boulevard N.W.

Two other vehicles drove around her as she lay on the ground, before she was hit by a second vehicle.

None of the drivers stopped, but one later turned himself in.

Steven Jonathan Vannasse has pleaded guilty to failing to stop at the scene of a fatal collision.

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Jeff and Dakota Ripley in a Facebook photo. Jeff fell to his death near Kitimat, B.C., on Monday. The pair had only just celebrated their first wedding anniversary. FACEBOOK

# Late guide never let his hunters give up, say relatives

**Tribute.** Peers plan to recover goat Jeff Ripley killed on his last hunt



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Jeff Ripley was in his element Monday night when it seems a misstep cost him everything.

The 26-year-old hunting guide from the small southern Alberta town of Magrath had just taken down his fourth mountain goat in as many trips through a new plot purchased by his company Tezwa Expeditions.

He was busy descending a mountain in a remote area upstream of Kitimat, B.C., along the Kemano River, when it's

believed he lost his footing and fell out of sight.

A fellow guide and two paying guests scoured the area for Ripley throughout the night and used an emergency satellite beacon to call in professional search-and-rescue teams.

It wasn't until Tuesday morning that Ripley's body was found.

He'd only just celebrated his first wedding anniversary with wife Dakota on Saturday.

"He passed away exactly where he always wanted to," she said in a message to Metro on Wednesday. "He loved the mountains. He was an amazing, very talented guide, and all of his hunters loved him."

"He always had a smile on his face and he was always joking and laughing."

Derek Passey, Ripley's father-in-law and owner of Tezwa,

said he and the late hunter's clients were planning another trek into the area Thursday to retrieve the goat he'd shot.

"Jeff would have wanted it," Passey said.

The grieving father-in-law described Ripley as a model employee and a seasoned mountaineer.

"Jeff was always so positive, and his hunters loved him," he said. "They all told me he would never let them give up."

## Fundraiser

Jeff Ripley didn't have life insurance, but an online fundraising campaign has been launched to support Dakota at [goatalliance.org/jeff-ripley-fund](http://goatalliance.org/jeff-ripley-fund).

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# Two injured, two arrested in apartment fire

**Under investigation.**  
Cause of the blaze still undetermined

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An early morning apartment fire left residents in shock, sent two people to hospital and saw two others taken into police custody.

"The flames were just blazing. I couldn't believe it. I'm just lucky nothing exploded," said Alex, who lives above the apartment that was the source of the fire and requested his last name not be printed.

He and another resident, Darcy Crossman, said police are often called to the building but usually for less-serious incidents.

"It scares me," said Crossman, a long-time resident of the building. "We think it's arson but we're not the experts, so we don't know."

Firefighters were called to the apartment in the 800 block of Glenmore Trail S.W. at about 4:15 a.m.

EMS transported two building residents to hospital, both in stable, non-life-threatening condition.

Police, meanwhile, took a



man and a woman into custody, but no charges were immediately laid.

"Most people are back into the accommodation right now," acting Det. Jack Russell said Sunday morning. "The two people that have

been arrested are still at the police station being interviewed."

Crossman said the fire has made him consider leaving the building.

The cause of the blaze is still under investigation.

# AGLC investigators seize \$32K of tobacco

Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission officials have seized more than \$32,000 worth of contraband water-pipe tobacco, chewing tobacco and cigars.

All told, the seized products weigh in excess of 144 kilograms, the commission said in a release Wednesday.

All wholesalers and importers of tobacco must be licensed to do so in Alberta. The seized tobacco was recovered in Calgary, Fort McMurray and Grande Prairie.

Three individuals have been charged in relation to the seizure.

Sikandarhaya Visram is due to appear in a Calgary court Dec. 1, while Timothy Trepanier will appear before a judge in Grande Prairie in mid-January in connection with the busts.

Ebrahim Alshihabi already appeared in a Fort McMurray court last week in relation to the seized tobacco.

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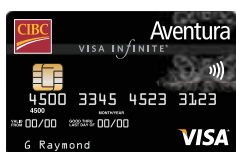






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# CBC execs shown video of woman's injuries

**Ghomeshi.** Broadcaster fired Q host after images from his phone showed bruises apparently caused by a cracked rib, sources say

Leading up to the weekend of October 25-26, two CBC executives were invited to the Toronto offices of Denton LLP, a law firm retained by the then Q host Jian Ghomeshi, who was facing allegations that his alleged rough treatment of women was about to become front page news.

After hearing and seeing Ghomeshi's side of the story on Thursday, Oct. 23, CBC executives Chris Boyce and Chuck Thompson left Denton and reported to their bosses that it was "much bigger than we ever thought," a source told Torstar News Service. Ghomeshi was put on leave of absence that day.

According to sources, the CBC executives were shown a variety of information, including a video and text messages, by the Denton lawyers in attendance at the meeting.

Sources say that the video is of a woman who Ghomeshi had dated in the past 10 years. The video shows bruising to the woman's body (she is partially covered in the video) and information provided to CBC that weekend, including text messages Ghomeshi had on his



Former Q host Jian Ghomeshi faces multiple allegations of assault.

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phone, refer to a "cracked rib." A large bruise could be seen on the side of her body.

As Torstar has reported previously, Ghomeshi showed information that, in his opinion, revealed how a person can be bruised during sex and it could "still be consensual," said one source with a close connection to Ghomeshi's strategy that day. Ghomeshi has said he is a practitioner of BDSM — bondage-dominance-sadism-masochism.

Ghomeshi refers to his meetings in his \$55 million lawsuit against CBC, filed in court after his firing. In the suit, he states that in the days leading up to his firing he showed "sensitive and private exchan-

ges" involving a woman he had a relationship with. Ghomeshi states that after he showed the material CBC was satisfied that he "had not engaged in non-consensual sex."

In Torstar's ongoing investigation into allegations that Ghomeshi has attacked women on dates, women have alleged that they have been struck with open and closed hands on various parts of the body and choked. Torstar has heard of multiple allegations from women interviewed as part of the paper's investigation.

The women have told Torstar of bruising, including bruising to the face and head, often in areas of the head covered by hair. Women who have made

### Investigation

Toronto police are investigating allegations from three women who have come forward.

these allegations say they did not consent to these attacks.

Ghomeshi has not provided detailed responses to questions from Torstar, though he has said in a statement posted on Facebook that all of his sexual activities are consensual.

In the Facebook posting he refers to his meeting with CBC in late October.

"On Thursday I voluntarily showed evidence that everything I have done has been consensual. I did this in good faith and because I know, as I have always known, that I have nothing to hide," Ghomeshi wrote.

"CBC execs confirmed that the information provided showed that there was consent. In fact, they later said to me and my team that there is no question in their minds that there has always been consent. They said they're not concerned about the legal side. But then they said that this type of sexual behaviour was unbecoming of a prominent host on the CBC," Ghomeshi stated in his posting.

According to sources, CBC did not leave the meeting at Ghomeshi's law firm with the original video or a copy of the video.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## Two men charged in violent Winnipeg sexual assaults

Police have charged two young men with a pair of violent sexual assaults, including one on an aboriginal teenage girl, and say they will take a closer look at whether the suspects had anything to do with the death of another First Nations teen last summer.

The two suspects, who are 20 and 17, face several charges, including attempted murder, in the attack on 16-year-old Grade 11 student Rinelle Harper, who was beaten Friday night and left for dead on a walking trail along the Assiniboine River in downtown Winnipeg.

They also face aggravated

sexual assault charges in a second attack that same night on a 23-year-old woman.

Police Supt. Danny Smyth said the two will come under closer scrutiny as police continue to look for 15-year-old Tina Fontaine's killer. Her body was wrapped in plastic and dumped in the Red River in August.

"We don't have any information right now that would suggest these men were involved with the Tina Fontaine investigation," Smyth told a news conference Wednesday. "That being said, we really had little, if any, contact with these men

before this. We will certainly take a closer look at them now."

Police say Rinelle was out with friends Friday night when she got separated from her group. She met two males who struck up a conversation with her, Smyth said. The three of them walked to the Assiniboine River where the girl was attacked and ended up in the frigid water.

"Rinelle managed to crawl out of the river a short distance away upstream and she was attacked a second time ... and left unconscious and essentially left for dead on the riverwalk," Smyth said.

She was found by a passerby the next morning and was taken to hospital in critical condition. She has been upgraded to stable and her family says she is recovering.

Police say the second woman was attacked a short time later. She was sexually assaulted, beaten with a weapon and left unconscious. Police were called shortly before dawn.

Justin James Hudson, 20, along with a 17-year-old male who can't be named, are charged with attempted murder, aggravated sexual assault and sexual assault with a weapon. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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# \$1.9B surplus projected for 2015, \$4.5B less than expected



Federal Finance Minister Joe Oliver  
THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Projections.** Surplus is a far cry from the \$6.4 billion that was estimated in February's budget

Next year's federal budget surplus will be \$1.9 billion, the Finance Department says — \$4.5 billion less than expected, thanks in large

part to the Harper government's multibillion-dollar cost-cutting proposals for families.

The expected surplus, unveiled Wednesday in the government's fall fiscal and economic update, is a far cry from the \$6.4-billion surplus projected in February's budget.

That's because of the Conservative government's recently announced family-

friendly tax and benefit initiatives, which will consume an estimated \$27 billion from public coffers between 2014-15 and 2019-20.

Finance Minister Joe Oliver, who delivered the update at a luncheon in Toronto, defended the measures, which include higher child care benefits and a controversial income-splitting plan for families with children.

"We are providing fam-

ilies this financial relief for a simple reason," Oliver said. "Across Canada, Canadians are telling us the same thing.

"The cost of everything, from groceries, to hydro, to housing, is going up."

The update projected that Canada would run a \$2.9-billion shortfall this fiscal year, matching the government's projection in the federal February budget.

Nonetheless, the federal government is projecting five straight years of surpluses: \$4.3 billion in 2016-17, \$5.1 billion in 2017-18, \$6.8 billion in 2018-19 and \$13.1 billion in 2019-20.

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## 'Who is this human blocking my light?'

Cue the Caddyshack jokes. It may not be dancing — and whether it's a gopher or a marmot or prairie dog is unclear — but this rodent selfie taken by Stacey Wallace of Vancouver has become an Internet sensation with more than one million views and counting. Wallace took the photo at B.C.'s Manning Park, when the critter popped out of its hole in search of nuts. [IMGUR](#)

## Sergeant-at-arms. Vickers gets celebrity treatment during Jerusalem visit

Hailed as a hero at home, the House of Commons' sergeant-at-arms is now getting a celebrity welcome abroad.

But Kevin Vickers is greeting the international attention with the same modesty that characterized his response to the outpouring of support at home in the wake of the deadly attacks of Oct. 22. In Jerusalem to attend an international security conference on Wednesday, Vickers was invited to meet Israel's prime minister and other government officials and was honoured by the Israeli parliament, the Knesset.

"Though I'm honoured to think (you're) excited about me, I wish and hope you realize it's about the entire team that performed very well on that day," he said on a video circulated by Israeli officials.

The trip had been arranged prior to the attack on Parliament Hill, where Vickers was

### Meetings in Jerusalem

Vickers' meetings included a sit-down with the Speaker of the Knesset, who gave him a book about Jerusalem. In return, Vickers presented neckties bearing the logo of the Canadian Association of Sergeants-At-Arms to the Speaker and one of the Knesset's top security people.

credited with taking the fatal shot at an armed gunman who ran into Centre Block minutes after killing a soldier at the National War Memorial.

"This terror attack in Ottawa proves, once again, that Islamic radical terrorism has no limits and respects no borders," Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said in a statement following their meeting Wednesday. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**








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## Fleury looks to second career

**'I was put on this Earth to help.'** Goal to share experiences, spiritual journey to inspire healing

Theo Fleury has come a long way.

The former NHL star has seemingly escaped the chokehold of addiction and now wears a smile on his face. His mission today is to help others escape their emotional pain.

Fleury chronicles his spiritual journey in a new book called *Conversations With a Rattlesnake*, co-written with therapist Kim Barthel.

"Helping is healing" is a key theme.

"It's my purpose," Fleury writes. "I honestly believe it's more important than my hockey career. I was put on this Earth to help."

Fleury calls Barthel the



Former NHL hockey star Theo Fleury poses for a photograph in Toronto in October 2009. THE CANADIAN PRESS

"Wayne Gretzky of therapy."

She says Fleury's intellectual capacity is "pretty extraordinary," shown by his ability to take in information, assimilate it and act on it.

Now 46, Fleury still sees himself as a work in progress. But his life journey is no longer two steps forward, one step back.

"It's only a half-a-step back now or a quarter step back," Fleury said in a recent interview. "Because I have tools."

"Nice," interjected Barthel. "Whereas before I didn't have any tools," Fleury continued. "I reached in my toolbox and I couldn't even build a square box ... because I didn't have anything. Now I have a few screws, a screwdriver. So I can build some stuff."

The exchange, in the restaurant of a downtown hotel, reads like an excerpt from *Conversations With a Rattlesnake*.

The book is written in the form of an extended conversation between Fleury and his therapist. It's the product of "two and a half years of constant conversation," according to Barthel.

She says people seem drawn to the former hockey player by his honesty and vulnerability, reasoning that if he can change his life, so can they.

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## Dog deaths. B.C. woman accused of leaving 6 dogs in hot truck pleads guilty

A Vancouver-area dog walker accused of killing six dogs by leaving them in a hot truck has pleaded guilty to two charges — animal cruelty and mischief.

Emma Paulsen was charged with six counts before admitting that she lied about what happened in May, when she left the animals in her truck at a Langley dog park.

Paulsen first reported they had been stolen from her vehicle but then told police that the dogs died of heat exhaustion.

Reports of the missing dogs prompted a massive community search before ultimately leading officers to the bodies in a Fraser Valley ditch.

Jennifer Myers, whose Boston terrier died in the truck, said she fears Paulsen will get a light sentence after all the pain she's caused to families who lost their pets.

"She pleaded guilty to two

of six charges, which right away makes you think that what she's going to get for a sentence will be a slap on the wrist more than anything and that's a real slap in the face of all the families," Myers said outside provincial court in Surrey.

The temperature was as high as 25 C on May 13, when Paulsen left the dogs, including one of her own, in the truck.

Paulsen initially said she was away from her vehicle for only a few minutes to use the washroom at a park and that when she returned the animals were gone.

She told police she spent hours looking for them and dreaded the thought of telling their owners they were missing, RCMP said at the time.

The maximum sentence for animal cruelty cases is two years.

Paulsen will be sentenced on Jan 21. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

### Lethal control programs

## Wolves stressed out, face social disturbance: Study

Wolves in areas where they are heavily hunted have higher levels of stress and reproductive hormones which alters a wolf pack's elaborate social structure and might have evolutionary consequences, says a study by scientists from B.C., Alberta and Israel.

Researchers measured hormone levels in small tufts of wolf hair gathered

in Alberta, Nunavut and the Northwest Territories.

They compared steroid hormone levels in hair of wolves living in Canada's tundra-taiga region, which has heavy rates of hunting, with those in the northern boreal forest, where hunting rates are lower.

The Raincoast Conservation Foundation, which opposes B.C.'s grey wolf management plan, says the study highlights that lethal control programs should take psychological and social effects on animals into account, not just numbers.

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# Canadians double time spent online, study finds

**Not a PC world.** About 1.3 million Canadians now strictly use mobile devices to go online, comScore says

As Canadians continue to get hooked on their smartphones, tablets and streaming video they're almost doubling the amount of time they spend online, according to measurement firm comScore.

As of August, there were about 27.8 million Canadian adults accessing the Internet with a computer, comScore reports. On average, they spent almost 39 hours a month browsing the web with a desktop or laptop.

But when accounting for watching Internet video and using mobile devices, the average time spent online shot up to nearly 75 hours a month, or about 2.5 hours a day.

"We're seeing extremely large growth," says comScore vice president of sales Bryan Segal. "It really points to the fact of how much impact — in terms of engagement and time spent — that mobile is having on what we traditionally looked at as a PC world."

Canadians in the 25-to-34 demographic were seen to be spending the most time online, averaging around 110 hours a month across vari-



Short-track speed skater Francois Hamelin checks his iPad during a training session earlier this year. Apps for smartphones and tablets are driving a spike in how much time Canadians spend online, a study by comScore found.

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ous devices. Only about 50 of those hours were linked to web browsing on a computer.

The oldest Canadians

tracked by comScore, ages 55 and older, were spending just 20 or so hours with a mobile device or streaming video a month. The bulk of their online hours were devoted to web browsing on a computer.

The use of mobile apps is really driving the spike in Canadians' online time, comScore says.

It's estimated that Can-

### Smartphones

## 78%

About 78 per cent of all Canadians owning a cellphone were using a smartphone — second highest behind Spain among the countries comScore tracks (and ahead of the U.K., the U.S. and Italy).

adians who own smartphones and tablets are now spending about 43 per cent of their overall online time within an app.

And app usage accounts for over 80 per cent of the time Canadians spend online with a mobile device, versus just 20 per cent spent using a web browser.

Men are slightly more likely to use mobile apps, according to comScore, but women spend more time with their favourite apps.

Similarly, men are more likely to use a mobile device's web browser but women spend more time using it.

As of June, comScore counted 18 million smartphones in Canada (a 12 per cent increase from June 2013) and 7.8 million tablets (up 37 per cent in a year).

About 78 per cent of all Canadians owning a cellphone were using a smartphone, which was second highest among the countries comScore tracks (behind Spain and ahead of the United Kingdom, the United States and Italy).

About four per cent of Canadian Internet users — or around 1.3 million people — now strictly use mobile devices to go online and no longer use a laptop or desktop, comScore says.

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"It really points to the fact of how much impact ... mobile is having on what we traditionally looked at as a PC world."

Bryan Segal, comScore vice-president of sales.



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## Halifax child porn case. Youth who pleaded guilty should be jailed, victim's father says

A young man who pleaded guilty in September in Halifax court to making child pornography should get jail time for the offence when he is sentenced Thursday, said the father of the then 15-year-old victim at the centre of the unique and high-profile case.

But the father of the young woman, who is deceased, said Wednesday that he has been told by the Crown that the 20-year-old will likely not get jail time.

"I think getting probation or a suspended sentence for a crime like that, it's insulting, to put it mildly," he said in an interview.

"It's almost like there's no consequences for it. I mean, it has devastating effects on people."

Wayne MacKay, a Halifax lawyer and cyberbullying expert, said it's likely the accused will not be handed a prison sentence because of his age and the fact that it was his first offence.

"The likely penalties are not going to be large and it may well be a suspended sentence," he said. "The sentence is likely to be a fairly modest one."

MacKay said that could change if amendments as proposed by the federal government are made to the Criminal Code that could see harsher penalties for the creation and distribution of intimate images.

Based on an agreed statement of facts read into the court record by Crown lawyer Alexander Smith, the girl went to the accused's house where she, a friend and four

### Sentence

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male youths drank alcohol in the fall of 2011.

Smith said the accused took a photograph later that night of one of the male youths having sex with the girl while she was vomiting. She was unaware that the picture was being taken and did not give consent to it, Smith said.

After the accused was arrested in the summer of 2013, he told police that he sent the photograph to the male youth who had sex with the girl the next day, Smith said. The accused is not alleged to have sent the photograph to anyone else, but the image was distributed to numerous people, most of whom attended the same high school as the girl.

The girl died at age 17 after she was taken off life-support following a suicide attempt in the spring of 2013. Her family says she was bullied for months as a result of the photo.

The other accused, now 19, is scheduled to stand trial on Nov. 24 on a charge of distributing child pornography.

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# Magnotta a pathological liar: Crown prosecutor

**Testimony.** Psychiatrist says accused suffering from schizophrenia — which does not equal being a liar

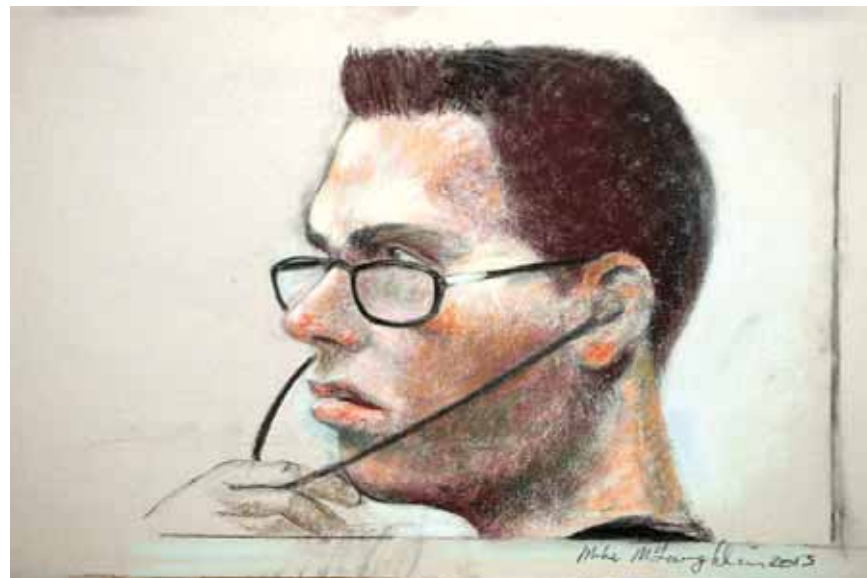
An assessment by a psychiatrist of Luka Rocco Magnotta's criminal responsibility raises more questions than answers about the night Jun Lin was killed in May 2012, the Crown said Wednesday.

In her report, Marie-Fredérique Allard said she determined Magnotta was not criminally responsible in the death because he was schizophrenic and in a poor mental state after not having had proper psychiatric care since 2010. Magnotta has admitted to killing Lin but is arguing he was suffering from a mental disorder. He faces one count of first-degree murder and four other charges in the slaying.

In his cross-examination at Magnotta's murder trial Wednesday, Crown prosecutor Louis Bouthillier said the version of events the accused gave Allard raised several inconsistencies and unanswered questions.

Among them, according to Bouthillier:

- Why was Magnotta wearing Lin's hat hours after the Chinese student's slaying and dismemberment if he believed Lin was an agent? Was it kept as a trophy?
- If it was meant as a message to the government, why was the so-called murder video of Lin's gruesome death published on a gore website and not sent directly to the government?



Luka Rocco Magnotta is shown in an artist's sketch in a Montreal court in March 2013.

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### Homolka story

**On Tuesday, Allard told the court that Magnotta admitted making up his affair with convicted killer Karla Homolka in 2007.**

- Allard said Magnotta was seeking notoriety, but primarily wanted people to believe he was the victim of harassment.

- Why did Magnotta leave his apartment at 2 a.m. if he thought government officials

spying on him were in a dark vehicle outside?

- Did he have an explanation for why he was brandishing an oscillating saw as he stood over a sleeping mystery man less than one week before Lin's slaying?

These and many other questions were met with similar responses from Allard — either she hadn't asked Magnotta or he hadn't offered a proper explanation.

Bouthillier called Magnotta a "pathological liar" who had an interest in telling half-truths to Allard to escape jail time.

The veteran prosecutor said the accused had already demonstrated that ability by admitting to Allard about fibbing to medical professionals in 2011 and one month before the 2012 crime.

"He lied to a psychiatrist to get out of being hospitalized," Bouthillier said. "He could also have lied to get out of going to prison."

Allard said Magnotta's schizophrenia medications, which he started taking regularly after his arrest in June 2012, could be responsible for his memory lapses.

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## Keystone XL vote could come next week

**An end to the fight in sight?** Democrats try to force a vote on controversial project

Six years of delay and debate over the controversial Keystone XL pipeline may be finally nearing an end.

In a moment of high political drama Wednesday, supporters of the long-stalled, Canadian-linked oil project demanded an imminent vote in the United States Congress.

They appeared to get their wish. A key vote is expected early next week.

The results of the U.S. mid-term elections had prompted widespread expectation that

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**"It needs to get done right now."**

U.S. Senator Mary Landrieu on the Keystone XL pipeline vote

the new Republican-dominated, oil-friendly Congress might pursue the project

upon its January swearing-in.

But it's happened at an unexpected speed, from an unexpected place. Within minutes of Congress returning for its first day of business following the election, the Senate's more conservative Democrats began pushing for a vote during the so-called lame-duck period.

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U.S. Sen. Mary Landrieu BILL HABER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Storage locker case. Judge says no to independent pathologist at autopsies

There will be no independent pathologist at the autopsies on six infants whose remains were found in a Winnipeg storage locker.

A judge has rejected the request that was made by the lawyer defending a woman charged with concealing the bodies.

Andrea Giesbrecht also faces new, unrelated charges of fraud and breaching a court order, so her bail hearing was postponed to Dec. 1.

Defence lawyer Greg Brodsky had argued that since police were allowed to observe the autopsies, his client should be given the same right through an independent party.

But the medical examiner said it would have been like having the accused in the examining room.

The autopsies were already almost complete when they were put on hold while Brodsky's request was heard.

Police have said the state of the remains was such that it could take months of forensic examination before it might be known who the parents were, how the infants died and whether they were full term.

Brodsky has said that, under the law, the infants will not be considered people if they turn out to be less than '20 weeks' gestation.

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Company security staff walk past storage lockers in Winnipeg on Oct. 21. There will be no independent pathologist at the autopsies on six infants whose remains were found in a Winnipeg storage locker. JOHN WOODS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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### Toys with small, powerful magnets a swallowing risk

Health Canada is repeating its warning that toys containing small, powerful magnets are a health risk to children.

The warning comes after the department received a report of a recent incident where a three-year-old swallowed two magnet rods from

a Mega Brands Magnetix Magnetic Building Set.

The child received medical care quickly and didn't sustain any injuries.

But the department says if a child swallows more than one magnet, they can be drawn together in the intestinal tract. This can cause intestines to twist and create blockages or produce tears in intestinal walls.

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# ESA lander touches down



Celebrating scientists in the main control room appear on a video screen at the European Space Agency after unmanned spacecraft Philae landed on a comet called 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko on Wednesday.

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**Glimpse into the past.** Scientists hope Philae's comet-landing data will unlock some of Earth's early secrets

Hundreds of millions of miles from Earth, a spacecraft made history Wednesday by successfully landing on the surface of a speeding comet — an audacious first designed to answer the universe's big questions.

The landing on comet 67P/Churyumov-Gerasimenko required precision, as even the slightest error could have re-

sulted in cosmic calamity.

Indications were that the spacecraft touched down almost perfectly, save for an unplanned bounce, said Stephan Ulamec, head of the lander operation.

But thrusters that were meant to push the lander, called Philae, onto the surface, and harpoons that would have anchored it to the comet failed to deploy properly. Initial data from the spacecraft indicated that it lifted off again, turned and then came to rest.

"Today we didn't just land once; we maybe even landed twice," said Ulamec.

The landing is the highlight of Rosetta's decade-long mis-

sion to study comets and learn more about the origins of these celestial bodies. Scientists have likened these comets — believed to number in the trillions — to time capsules that are virtually unchanged since the earliest moments of the universe.

"By studying one in enormous detail, we can hope to unlock the puzzle of all of the others," said Mark McCaughrean, a senior scientific adviser to the mission.

The mission will also give researchers the opportunity to test the theory that comets brought organic matter and water to Earth billions of years ago, said Klim Churyumov, one



This image released by the European Space Agency on Wednesday was taken by Philae during its descent toward the comet.

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of the two astronomers who discovered the comet in 1969.

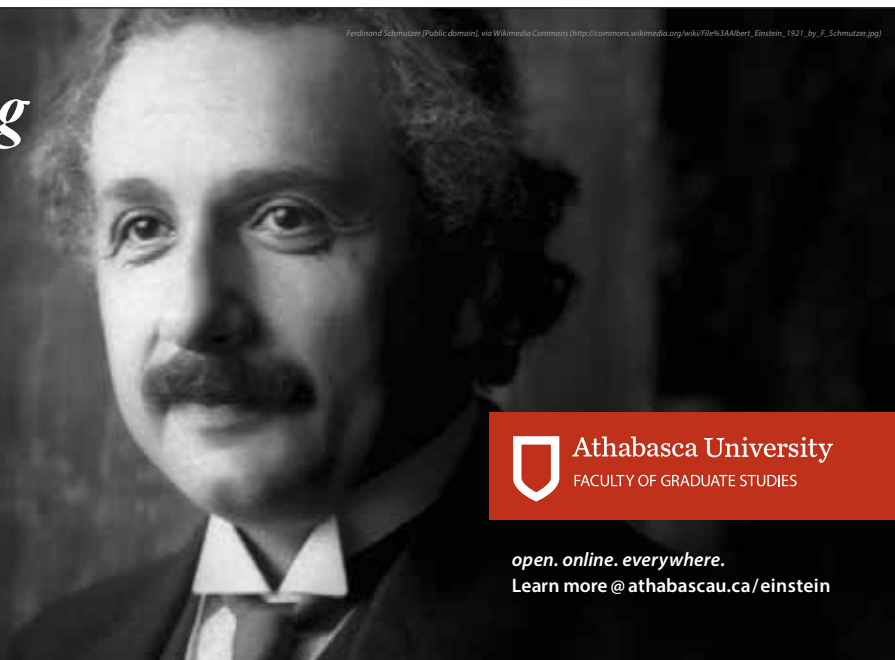
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# Hospital reaches settlement with family of deceased Ebola patient

The hospital that treated the only Ebola patient to die in the United States will pay his relatives an undisclosed sum and create a charitable foundation in his name, the family's attorney said Wednesday.

The agreement heads off a potential lawsuit from relatives of Thomas Eric Duncan, who died Oct. 8 at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas.

Duncan was initially sent away from the hospital's emergency room with antibiotics, something hospital administrators have acknowledged was a mistake. He would return to the hospital in an ambulance two days after his

release and was quickly diagnosed with possible signs of Ebola, which has killed more than 5,000 people in West Africa.

Attorney Les Weisbrod declined to say how much the settlement was worth but said it was a "very good deal" that would provide for Duncan's parents and his four children. Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital said in a statement that it was "grateful to reach this point of reconciliation and healing for all involved."

Weisbrod and Duncan's nephew, Josephus Weeks, both credited Presbyterian's officials for moving quickly



Mai Wureh, sister of deceased Ebola victim Thomas Eric Duncan.  
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to settle the case and for acknowledging the hospital's mistakes.

Duncan's family would have faced a very high bar had they filed a lawsuit against the hospital. Texas medical malpractice law places a \$250,000 limit on non-economic damages related to pain and suffering.

It also gives extra protection to emergency-room doctors and nurses. Instead of just proving that Duncan's doctors were negligent in his care, Duncan's family would have to prove that any negligence was "wilful and wanton" — essentially, that doctors knew they were causing harm when they treated Duncan.

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## Evasive manoeuvres

**ISS avoids collision with space debris**

The International Space Station is now out of harm's way after flying higher to avoid space junk.

Flight controllers raised the station's orbit by approximately a mile Wednesday due to small debris from an old Chinese satellite that was going to come dangerously close.

Had they not, by late morning the debris would have come within seven tenths of a mile of the ISS's location.

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## Wisconsin

**Girl accused of murder fit to stand trial**

A state doctor believes the mental condition of one of two girls accused of stabbing a classmate to please the fictional horror character Slender Man has improved and she is fit to stand trial, a Wisconsin judge said Wednesday.

The judge had ordered mental health treatment for the girl, 12, who claimed to see and hear things, including unicorns, Slender Man and Voldemort of Harry Potter fame.

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## London. New book: Jesus, Mary Magdalene tied knot

A researcher who has been criticized for his revisionist Biblical theories says he has new evidence that Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene and that early Christians considered her a deity.

Canadian-Israeli documentary-maker Simcha Jacobovici says an ancient manuscript in the British Library offers a glimpse at an early version of Christianity.

"This shows that Mary Magdalene really got ripped

off" in theology, Jacobovici said Wednesday at the launch of *The Lost Gospel*, a book co-authored with York University religious studies Professor Barrie Wilson.

But many religious scholars are skeptical about the theory, which is based on *The Story of Joseph and Aseneth*. Jacobovici and Wilson studied a 1,500-year-old Syriac-language version of the story in the London library.

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Simcha Jacobovici, left, and Barrie Wilson hold an ancient manuscript they say proves Jesus was married to Mary Magdalene. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Trade Center workers trapped 69 storeys up

**New York.** Firefighters cut hole in new tower's glass to pull window washers to safety an hour later

Two window washers were trapped for more than an hour Wednesday on scaffolding dangling 69 storeys up the side of 1 World Trade Center before firefighters cut through the glass and pulled them to safety.

The dramatic rescue occurred on the south side of the 104-storey building, where the open-topped platform hung at about a 45-degree angle and swayed slightly in the wind.

The fire department said the workers were tethered and communicating with rescuers during their ordeal.

A cable on the scaffolding



Two workers dangle 69 storeys up, until firefighters cut a hole in the glass to rescue them. KATHY WILLENS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

apparently broke at about 1 p.m., according to Joe Pentangelo of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which owns the building.

Rescuers could be seen

dropping cables to workers, and the fire department tweeted a photograph of rescuers inside the building looking at the dangling platform. The hole cut into the

thick glass was six feet tall, even with rescuers' heads as they stood at the precipice. The workers were brought through it at about 2:15 p.m.

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# Sterilization deaths expose troubles in Indian health care

**Tackling a population boom.** Deaths of 12 women after they underwent sterilization procedures this week have raised serious ethical questions

The women were poor, from villages in central India where the promise of

a few dollars is all but impossible to resist. Many had babies so young they were still nursing at their mothers' breasts.

The deaths of 12 women after they underwent sterilization procedures this week have raised serious ethical questions about India's drive to curb a booming population by paying women who get sterilized.

The deaths also exposed

the dangerous lack of oversight in India's \$74 billion US health-care industry.

"We really are not paying enough attention to the quality of care in the public health system," said Jay Satia, an adviser to the Public Health Foundation of India. The surgeon who performed the operations at the government-run "health camp" in Chhattisgarh state plowed through more than 80 surgeries in

six hours — a clear breach of government protocol, which prohibits surgeons from performing more than 30 sterilizations in a day, a top medical official said Wednesday.

Sterilization targets have a troubled history in India. In the 1970s, Prime Minister Indira Gandhi imposed a policy of forcibly sterilizing men who had already fathered two children.

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Indian women who underwent sterilization surgeries receive treatment at the District Hospital in Bilaspur, in the central Indian state of Chhattisgarh, Wednesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Obama confronts stalled reforms in Myanmar

For U.S. President Barack Obama, Myanmar's stalled progress on promised political and economic reforms is jeopardizing what was to be a crowning achievement for his foreign policy legacy.

Obama arrived in Myanmar's capital of Naypyitaw on Wednesday amid persistent questions about whether the government would follow through on its pledges — and whether the U.S. had made too many overtures to the long-isolated country too soon. Myanmar won wide sanctions relief

from Obama after its sudden and unexpected shift from a half-century of military rule, but there's little certainty about the country's future.

"Progress has not come as fast as many had hoped when the transition began," Obama said in an interview with Myanmar's The Irrawaddy magazine. "In some areas there has been a slowdown in reforms, and even some steps backward."

White House officials say Obama has always been realistic about the challenges

ahead for Myanmar, a country that in many cases lacks the infrastructure and capacity to enact the reforms its leaders have outlined. But critics of the administration's policy say the U.S. gave up its leverage too quickly by rewarding the government for promises rather than results.

"With so many avenues for pressure lost, it can indeed seem like the U.S. doesn't have a lot of cards left to play," said John Sifton, the Asia director at Human Rights Watch.

Critics also contend that the president got caught up in the notion that opening Myanmar to the outside world would be a central part of his legacy as America's self-proclaimed Pacific president. Indeed, a successful democratic transition would fit neatly into Obama's broader Asia strategy, which includes deepening U.S. political and economic partnerships in the region, particularly with countries seen to share America's values.

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### U.S. survey

#### Pew study finds widespread concerns over online privacy

It's been 15 years since Sun Microsystems CEO Scott McNealy infamously quipped "You have zero privacy anyway. Get over it." You'd think we would have gotten the message by now, with all the news of online data breaches, revelations about broad government surveillance, and advertisers tracking your every move as you travel around the Web.

But we're not over it. We just don't know what to do about it.

That's the finding of a new Pew Research Center survey, which revealed that nearly all Americans surveyed feel they've lost control over how companies collect and use their personal information.

The survey by the Pew Research Center's Internet Project asked 607 U.S. adults about their privacy perceptions following Edward Snowden's exposure of government surveillance programs last year.

The study found that most have "little confidence" in the security of communications tools ranging from social media sites to phones, and less than a quarter think that it is easy to be anonymous online.

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# Invasion of the drones

**Reports of illegal drone flights frequent.**  
Officials worried that unregulated use in airspace could cause accidents



A man launches a small drone to fly over the scene of an explosion in New York in March. U.S. government officials have been inundated with reports of drones flying near aircraft and airports without permission. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

The U.S. government is getting near-daily reports — and sometimes two or three a day — of drones flying near airplanes and helicopters or close to airports without permission, federal and industry officials tell The Associated Press. It's a sharp increase from just two years ago when such reports were still unusual.

Many of the reports are filed with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) by airline pilots. But other pilots, airport officials and local authorities often file reports as well, said the officials, who agreed to discuss the matter on the condition that they not be named because they weren't authorized to speak publicly.

Michael Toscano, president of a drone industry trade group, said FAA officials also have verified the increase to him.

While many of the reports are unconfirmed, raising the possibility that pilots may have mistaken a bird or another plane in the distance for a drone, the officials said other reports appear to be credible.

The FAA tightly restricts the use of drones, which could cause a crash if one collided with a plane or was sucked into an engine. Small drones usually aren't visible on radar to air-traffic controllers, particularly if they're made of plastic or other composites.

"It should not be a matter of luck that keeps an airplane

and a drone apart," said Rory Kay, a training captain at a major airline and a former Air Line Pilots Association safety committee chairman. "So far we've been lucky because if these things are operating in the sky unregulated, unmonitored and uncontrolled, the possibility of a close proximity event or even a collision has to be of huge concern."

The FAA requires that all drone operators receive permission from the agency, called a certificate of authorization, before flying their unmanned aircraft. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Subscription service**

**Will YouTube hit the right note with Music Key?**

Google is remixing the music on its YouTube video site with the addition of ad-free subscription service Music Key and a new format designed to make it easier to find millions of songs that can still be played for free.

The subscription service is part of Google's effort to mine more revenue from YouTube as the video site approaches the 10th anniversary of its inception. Music Key has been speculated about for months while Google Inc. wrangled over the licensing terms with recording labels. The service, priced initially at \$8 a month, is comparable in cost to other digital music subscription services sold by Spotify, Apple Inc.'s Beats and Google's own 18-month-old streaming service tied to its Android Play store. But Music Key subscribers will be able to stream through the Google Play service at no additional charge, too. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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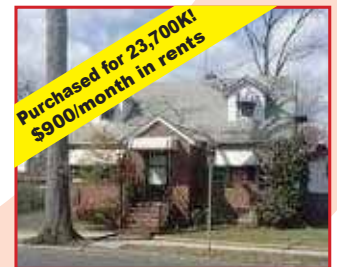
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# IN WHICH JOHN STARTS GOING TO YOGA

I've started attending yoga classes.

You'll notice I didn't say I'm DOING yoga, because that would involve athletic poses and rhythmic breathing and other yogic things I haven't mastered yet because I spend most of each class lying motionless and sucking air, like I'm doing my best Iron Lung impression.

The classes have been a long, difficult journey (both of them), but they're necessary. My girlfriend's been suggesting yoga for months, because she noticed that my joints have the same range of motion as the original 1980s Star Wars figures — the ones where the Jedis were all karate experts because the only way to hit Darth Vader was with a downward chop. I don't think I'll ever get my body to GI Joe swivel-arm battle grip, but I'm hopeful with yoga I'll reach Masters of the Universe twist-waist, power-punch action.

It's been a long time coming. I've avoided yoga for 20 years because I read an interview once where a studio owner said, "It's best



HE SAYS

**John Mazerolle**

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to do yoga in the morning when the world's magnetic field is strongest," when any fool knows that the Earth's magnetic field peaks at 4 p.m., after a brief nap. I figured arguing about pseudoscience was not the best path to inner peace, so my girlfriend assured me she'd choose a no-nonsense teacher, which meant I could focus entirely on how much pain I'm in.

And how'd it go? Great! I was terrible at everything, which took a lot of pressure off. My biggest problem was that the instructor said not to look up from my poses, but I had to because the instructions make no sense if you've never heard them before.

For instance, people in yoga seem to call the butt area the sit bones. "Check out Kim Kardashian's sit bones!" is a common phrase among yoga practitioners.

So I'd have my head down and I'd hear something like "Heel-toe, now lunge your sit bones, breeeeathe into the belly of your hamstrings, and invert yourself!"

## No more chasing tail



Red deer graze following the end of the rutting season on Wednesday in Glen Etive, Scotland. The rutting season sees the large red deer stags compete against each other for mating rights and they can be heard roaring and bellowing in an attempt to attract the hinds. The rut draws to a close in early November when the males will spend the winter feeding to regain strength for the following year's season. JEFF J. MITCHELL/GETTY IMAGES

## Calm after mating storm for red deer

After months of butting horns, chasing tail and avoiding gunshots, the male red deer population of Scotland can finally relax and look forward to quieter times.

The exhausting rutting season has just come to an end in

Glen Etive, Scotland.

Deer and other ruminant mammals engage in rutting season, which is triggered by shorter day lengths, in the fall.

During this mating season, stags will rub their antlers on trees, fight each other (sometimes leading to serious injury) and attempt to herd

females in estrus together.

Since throwing caution to the wind in their attempt to hook up with as many females as possible makes them easy targets, the breeding season is also a popular time for hunting.

The stags are often in rough shape after the rut, and now is the time for them to rest. **METRO**

## Weight loss

# 20%

All that chasing and fighting can result in a huge weight loss. Some research shows losses of as high as 20 per cent of a stag's total body weight.

## Personal journey

**I was terrible at everything, which took a lot of pressure off.**

I'd glance up half expecting to see my classmates inside out, their internal organs looking blissful, but instead I'd see my instructor saying, "Don't look up!"

So I was graceless and clueless. I did have one thing going for me, though: I didn't care. My girlfriend always comes back from class with a mental chart of where she ranked amongst her classmates in yoga skill, which seems like wasted effort if you're not in the World Yoga Championships.

My imperviousness to outside criticism has a nice yoganness to it, though I guess being proud of it kind of ruins it too, so I'll shut up now. And if anyone wants to make fun of me for trying yoga, no matter how ineptly, I suggest we step outside so I can kick your sit bones up and down the street. Namaste.

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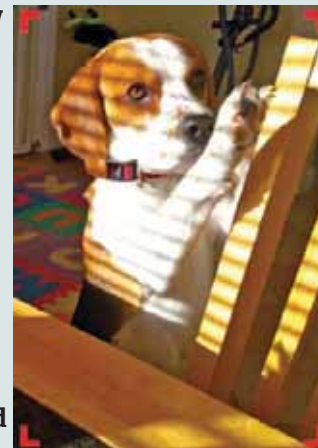
## Puppy ploy



**ANDREW FIFIELD**

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The dogs we know and love today began diverging from wolves after they figured out that hanging around people and snacking on trash was a better deal than buffalo hunts. And then evolution took care of the rest. Well, Charlie the Beagle's attempt to barter a beloved toy for a some sweet, sweet table scraps is the next stage of that evolution — a domestic animal merchant class. Just keep them away from any copies of Atlas Shrugged. (CharlieDaDog/YouTube)



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## Twitter

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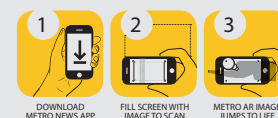
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# Tired of Hollywood's schlock? Film fest offers a bit of culture

## European Film Fest.

Third-annual event features nine critically acclaimed movies from nine different countries



**BACKSTAGE PASS**  
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When it comes to booking the lineup for the Calgary European Film Festival, organizers want only the best.

"Most of the films we've chosen have either won awards or are critically acclaimed," says Mariet Minchev, director of the European Cultural Society.

Now in its third year, the festival is presenting nine movies from nine countries, including Bulgaria, Romania and the Czech Republic.

The festival kicks off Friday and runs until Sunday at The Globe Cinema. Last year's fest attracted about 1,000 people over the three days, and Minchev expects the number to grow this year.

"There are a lot of movie fans in Calgary who come out for European cinema," she says. "The films are very different from the kind of Hollywood movies we usually get here. There's kind of a lack of culture here in that respect, and some people got together and said they would like to see more of those international films."

The idea started with the city's Romanian commun-



**Living Legends from Bulgaria is one of nine movies being screened at this year's Calgary European Film Festival, running Nov. 14-16 at The Globe. CONTRIBUTED**

ity, which held its own short but successful film festival in 2011.

Minchev says she and other members of the local Bulgarian society discussed collaborating with the Romanian group and other European community associations to build a larger-scale festival.

"We emailed everyone that year," she says. "But we only heard back from a few people."

Only five films screened that first year, but the response was encouraging.

"There were a lot of new

immigrants and immigrants from a European background who attended," she recalls.

"But we found that there are also just as many movie fans who are interested what's playing in The Globe."

Among the nine films screening this year are *Child's Pose* from Romania, *Les Garçons et Guillaume, à Table!* from France and *Der Verdingbub* (The Foster Boy) from Switzerland.

*Les Garçons et Guillaume* won five French César awards, including best film, while *Child's Pose* received the Golden Bear for best film

at the Berlin International Film Festival and was Romania's official selection for the Best Foreign Language category at last year's Oscars.

Minchev says film buffs will enjoy what the festival has to offer and hopes they will spread the word.

"We would like to expand," she says.

"We created a new not-for-profit European Cultural Society around this time last year, to help sponsor and organize the festival as it grows, since a lot of people in the communities are so busy already."

### If you go

- **Tickets.** \$10 each, \$25 for a three-movie pass, or \$70 for a 9-movie pass.
- **Where.** Tickets can be purchased online or at the Polish cultural centre, the Czech consulate, the Romanian cultural association or Alliance Française.
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## Zachary's Out on his views about gay community

For Out magazine's 20th anniversary edition of its annual list of the most prominent LGBT personalities, the Out 100, the editors couldn't decide on a single honouree to feature on the cover. So they picked four. Copies of the magazine are going out featuring Zachary Quinto, Ellen Page, Sam Smith and Orange Is the New Black star Samira Wiley. And they even get fun honorary titles, though they kind of all sound like the same thing: Quinto is the artist of the year, while Page is the entertainer of the year, Smith is the breakout of the Year and Wiley is the

ingenue of the year. Go ahead, switch those around and see if anything really changes. Quinto, for his part, uses his time with the magazine to try to combat an encroaching blasé attitude, especially among younger members of the gay community. "I think there's a tremendous sense of complacency in the LGBT community," he says. "AIDS has lost the edge of horror it possessed when it swept through the world in the '80s. Today's generation sees it more as something to live with and something to be much less fearful of. And that comes with a sense of, dare I say, laziness."

### The Word



## Yes, Kim's a mom, but can you expect any better of her?



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Metro in Hollywood

It's still unclear whether Kim Kardashian's oiled-up, tush-exposing cover shot for Paper "broke the Internet," as the magazine was hoping — some might say it's been broken for a while already — but people definitely have opinions about

it. While husband Kanye West was clearly supportive of her efforts, others were less than pleased. Comedian Billy Eichner went on a tear, offering several tweets about the photo, the best being, "Oh God look at what Renee Zellweger did now!" But others didn't find the situation so humorous. Glee star Naya Rivera popped up on Kardashian's Instagram post with the comment, "I normally don't, but ... you're someone's mother." True, but she also built a multimillion-dollar media empire off of just one homemade sex tape, so let's not all act so surprised.

### Twitter



@joelmchale

Alright turkeys. If you have anything else you want to say to your families, now's the time to say it.



@SethMacFarlane

Hey elephants: FYI you guys are f---ing HUGE. Stop letting everyone s--- on you.



@AlbertBrooks

I have to point out that no one has seen Garth



Nia Vardalos

## My Big Fat Greek Wedding is getting a honeymoon

It's only taken 12 years, but you're finally getting that My Big Fat Greek Wedding sequel you didn't really ask for. Nia Vardalos will once again write and star alongside John Corbett — appar-

ently both were still available — in a sequel that will feature yet another wedding and, I'm assuming, a fresh take on how kooky Greek-Americans are. What to Expect When You're Expecting director Kirk Jones will be heading things up, with Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson producing again. Does this mean my hopes for a sequel to Rounders aren't completely dead?

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## Gold

A gold tunic dress sticks to simpler tailoring, letting the sequins do all the talking. This flashy piece can be worn with a pair of black tights to tone down the look.



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## Colours

Gold isn't the only colour that shimmers and shines. How about a sassy number from H&M covered in iridescent green sequins, or a chic off-the-shoulder dress that will make heads turn at any holiday party?



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## Skirts

Of course, the all-over-sequins look is not for everyone. For those who prefer something more subtle, there is always the option of a sequined miniskirt, to be paired with a tame and understated top for an interesting contrast. Or a sleek black and white pencil skirt for an elegant seasonal statement.



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## Small spaces.

A reader needs some sleeping solutions for a studio apartment



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I recently moved to a studio and am having a hard time

separating my living and sleeping areas. Is there a sophisticated option you can suggest that would allow for more room during the day or when company is over, but also a comfortable sleep at night? — Ben

I suggest investing in a Murphy-style wall bed for your space. It has the look of a tall cabinet, but conceals your mattress, bedding and pillows. You can pull your bed down into the room for sleeping

and, when tucked away, it will save valuable floor space by day.

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## Separating living from sleeping quarters

### Not into wall beds? Try this

If a wall bed is not your style, here are a few other ways to make your studio feel more like a large living space rather than a bedroom:

#### • Place sofa and bed back-to-back

Place the head of your bed against the back of the sofa and float them in the room like an island. The upholstered back of your sofa will then act as a headboard. Hang a sheer-type drape between the bed and sofa to create a visual barrier that still allows light to filter into the living-room seating space.

#### • Invest in a quality sofa bed

Invest in a quality sofa bed. Many good sofa beds are made for every-night sleep, long-lasting use and comfort. With this option I suggest investing in a thicker mattress option (mattresses in standard sofa beds are 3-4 inches; I suggest a 6-8 inch mattress to give you the comfort of a regular bed mattress. Adding a memory foam mattress topper can also provide a luxurious feel.

#### • Opt for a daybed

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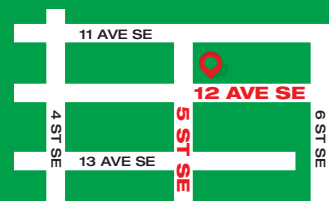
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# It's the mushroom's time to shine

**Mushroom, Leek and Gruyère Tart.** With a puff pastry base, the flavours of this dish come together perfectly

"If vegetables were looking to elect a spokesperson, I'd nominate mushrooms," writes Charmian Christie in *The Messy Baker*.

"A bit of heat brings out the best in them. And when things get downright hot, they maintain their composure, refusing to dissolve into an incoherent mash. They work graciously with almost any herb, are effusively complementary to dairy, and are as comfortable with fancy-dress pastry as they are with a ... slice of toast.

"With a support staff of herbs, cheese, and garlic, this recipe lets the earthiness of mushrooms shine."

1. Preheat the oven to 425 F.

2. On a sheet of parchment paper cut to fit a rimmed baking sheet, roll the puff pastry

## Ingredients

- 1 sheet commercial puff pastry
- 3 tbsp unsalted butter
- 2 cloves garlic
- 2 sprigs fresh thyme, leaves only
- 2 cups thinly sliced leeks, white parts only, sliced lengthwise and slivered into half moons
- 16 oz cremini or Portobello mushrooms, cut into 1-inch pieces
- Ground black pepper (optional)
- 3 oz grated Gruyère cheese



This recipe serves four to six. RYAN SZULC

sheet out to a 10-inch square. Using a sharp knife, gently score the pastry an inch inside the outer edge, being careful not to cut all the way through. Place the parchment with the scored pastry onto a rimmed baking sheet.

Refrigerate while you prepare the filling.

3. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt the butter. When it bubbles, grate the garlic on a microplane into the pan. Add the thyme.

Cook gently for 1 minute. Add the leeks and cook until they begin to soften. Add the mushrooms and cook until they are soft, but not weeping, juices. Place the mushroom filling into a strainer and let drain for a few minutes.

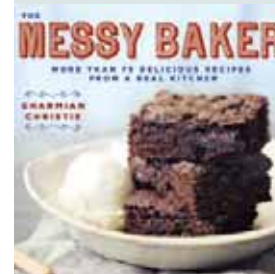
4. Spoon the mushroom filling onto the pastry, being careful to keep inside the score marks. Add a grinding of fresh black pepper, if using. Bake for 15 minutes. Remove the tart from the oven and sprinkle with the

cheese. Bake for 5 minutes, or until the cheese has melted and the pastry is golden brown. Serve while hot.

**THE MESSY BAKER BY CHARMIAN CHRISTIE 2014. PUBLISHED BY HARPERCOLLINS CANADA. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.**

## Cookbook of the Week

Get your hands dirty for a tasty cause



Forget the perfectly shaped cookies and layers that are exactly the same height.

The *Messy Baker* by Charmian Christie is all about real-world baking — in its sweet, messy, fun and not always gorgeous glory. Featuring more than 75 recipes, the book also guides readers through collapsed crusts or frosting smears with practical advice.

Among included recipes are: Sweet Potato Samosas, Stuffed French Toast, Whiskey-Kissed Pecan Pie, Blueberry-Lime Cornmeal Muffins and more. **METRO**

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## McDavid out 5-6 weeks with broken bone in hand

Connor McDavid will be out five to six weeks with a fractured bone in his right hand, an injury that could put his participation for Canada in the world junior championship in doubt.

The Erie Otters announced Wednesday afternoon that McDavid suffered a fracture of the fifth metacarpal bone in a fight Tuesday night with Mississauga's Bryson Cianfrone when he missed and hit the top of the boards. The fractured bone extends from the base of the pinkie finger to the wrist.

McDavid will not need to have surgery.

The 17-year-old junior hockey phenom saw a hand specialist in Toronto after X-rays on Tuesday night were not definitive. Six weeks from Wednesday falls on Dec. 24. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

CFL

## Als lead pack with 11 all-stars

Receiver Duron Carter was one of 11 Montreal Alouettes named to the East Division all-star team Wednesday.

The CFL unveiled its East and West Division all-star squads in voting conducted by members of the Football Reporters of Canada and CFL head coaches.

Montreal, which finished second in the East Division standings behind the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, had the most nominations. The Ticats were second with 10.

The Edmonton Eskimos, who were second in the West Division behind Calgary, had nine players named to the all-star squad, two more than the Stampeders.

Edmonton receiver Adarius Bowman was the only unanimous pick.

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Flames captain Mark Giordano is leading the team by example with 19 points through 17 games. DEREK LEUNG/GETTY IMAGES

# Giordano stoking the Flames' offensive fire

**NHL.** Captain leading the team and all league defencemen with five goals and 14 assists

Quoted

**"As defencemen, we want to contribute, too. We want to be the difference makers."**

T.J. Brodie on combining with his defensive partner Mark Giordano for nine of the Flames' 50 goals on the season

Thin up front due to injuries and with no forward in the top 40 in NHL scoring, the Calgary Flames are still among the league's best teams in offensive firepower.

Calgary ranked fifth among the 30 NHL teams in goals scored with 50 prior to Wednesday's games. Much of the offence for the 9-6-2 Flames has come from the blue-line.

Leading the way is captain Mark Giordano, who leads

both the Flames and all NHL defencemen with five goals and 14 assists in 17 games.

Second on the club and third among NHL blue-liners is Giordano's defensive partner T.J. Brodie, with four goals and 10 assists.

"Offensively, we've got the green light to just go and create and that's what we try and do on the back end," Giordano said Wednesday at Scotiabank Saddledome.

"We need to score goals and get more goals than last year. If we're going to score on this team a lot of it is going to be created through puck movement on our back end or our defence jumping in. It was definitely something we talked about."

In the second year of a rebuild, Flames head coach Bob Hartley admitted he and the coaching staff wondered over the summer where the offence

would come from. Hartley declared at training camp scoring would be by committee.

Giordano is clearly head of that committee, working on a seven-game point streak (four goals, 12 assists) with the Flames at home to the Arizona Coyotes on Thursday.

According to the NHL, the Calgary captain is only the fifth defenceman since 2005-06 to record 18 points in the first 16 games of the regular season.

"I don't care what anyone says. If you're on a streak, scoring and getting points, it feels great," Giordano said. "You feel you're contributing, especially the way we've been going. We're winning games."

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# Kershaw, Kluber get Cy nods

**MLB.** Dodgers ace takes third NL honour, while Indians hurler edges the King Felix in the AL

Los Angeles Dodgers ace Clayton Kershaw was a unanimous choice for his third NL Cy Young Award, and Cleveland's Corey Kluber edged Seattle's

Felix Hernandez to win the AL honour for the first time.

Kershaw led the majors in victories and ERA and threw a no-hitter, going 21-3 with a 1.77 ERA for the NL West champions. Now, the big question: is he the Most Valuable Player, too? The 26-year-old lefty with a wicked curveball will find out Thursday if he's the first NL pitcher to sweep the MVP and Cy Young honours since Bob Gibson in

1968. As expected, Kershaw earned the pitching prize for the second year in a row, getting all 30 first-place votes in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Cincinnati's Johnny Cueto was second with 112 points.

Voting was completed before the start of the post-season. Kershaw went 0-2 with a 7.82 ERA in a Division Series loss to St. Louis, leaving him at 1-5

with a 5.12 ERA in his post-season career. Kluber received 17 of 30 first-place votes and 169 points, while King Felix got 13 firsts and 159 points. Chris Sale of the Chicago White Sox was third with 78 points.

A 28-year-old right-hander, Kluber went 18-9 to tie for the AL lead in wins. He had a 2.44 ERA in his first full major-league season and 269 strikeouts. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Clayton Kershaw bagged his third Cy Young Award. JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES



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### NHL

## Redemption for Leafs after six-goal rout of Bruins

Motivated by an embarrassing showing the last time they played the Boston Bruins, the Toronto Maple Leafs turned the tables Wednesday night.

The Leafs scored four goals during a nine-minute stretch on the way to a 6-1 blowout of the Bruins at Air Canada Centre. With the victory, Toronto (9-5-2) moved just ahead of Boston (10-7-0) in the Atlantic Division standings.

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### Soccer

## Canadian U20s earn draw against England

Jordan Hamilton scored in second-half stoppage time to lift the Canadian under-20 soccer team to a 2-2 tie with England on Wednesday.

Hamilton's goal came on a volley after a Canadian free kick was stopped.

The Canadian team is in Europe to prepare for the CONCACAF Under-20 Championship in January in Jamaica.

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## Pelicans glide past Lakers

Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant shoots over Pelicans guard Austin Rivers during Wednesday night's game in New Orleans. Bryant had 33 points on 10-for-28 shooting with five assists and four rebounds but was overshadowed by Anthony Davis' whopping 25 point (12-for-16), 12 rebound and six block stat line as the Pelicans won 109-102.

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### Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

#### ♈ Aries

**March 21 - April 20**

Do what you can with what you have and you will get what you need. Too many people expect life to come to them, but you're far too smart to be one of them.

#### ♉ Taurus

**April 21 - May 21**

Your powers of self-discipline will be tested over the next 24 hours. You will pass easily. But a harder test is on its way.

#### ♊ Gemini

**May 22 - June 21**

You enjoy soMe drama in your life but you need stability too. You'll be delighted to discover there are people you can turn to when things get tough.

#### ♋ Cancer

**June 22 - July 23**

You can patch up a relationship that has turned sour in recent weeks. Make the first approach and you will be heartened to learn a loved one is as eager as you to kiss and make up.

#### ♌ Leo

**July 24 - Aug. 23**

There will be heart-warming moments today but don't let them detract from other important matters. A new relationship may be a lot of fun but family and financial issues have to be dealt with too.

#### ♍ Virgo

**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**

The planets urge you to face up to what worries you the most. You may be surprised to discover that what you have been trying to avoid is actually quite exciting.

#### ♎ Libra

**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**

A financial problem you have been struggling with for weeks or months can be resolved, especially if you are prepared to listen to the advice of an older and wiser colleague.

#### ♏ Scorpio

**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**

No matter who depends on you there are certain things you must do for yourself over the next 24 hours. An opportunity to improve your status must be seized immediately.

#### ♐ Sagittarius

**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**

No matter how bruised your ego is, today will delight you. Don't worry about keeping on top of your routine. There will be plenty of time to catch up later in the month.

#### ♑ Capricorn

**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**

You need to approach serious issues in a serious manner. If you let things drift people are liable to get on your case and your reputation could suffer.

#### ♒ Aquarius

**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**

The tension that has been a feature of your emotional life of late will ease somewhat over the next 24 hours. Even routine tasks will seem less of a chore.

#### ♓ Pisces

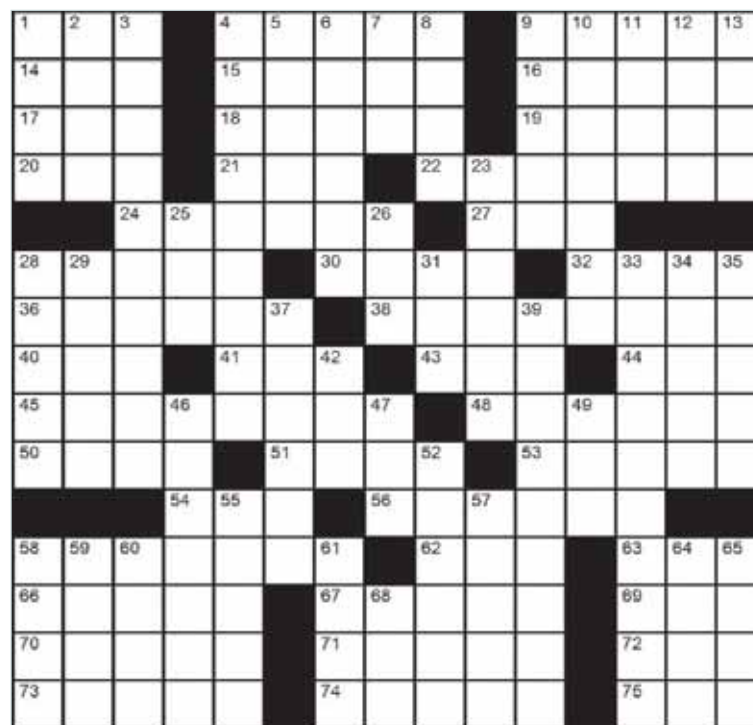
**Feb. 20 - March 20**

Today's Venus-Saturn link means you can patch things up with a friend. Sometimes a relationship can benefit from a dispute, especially if it clears the air.

### Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

#### Across

1. Say "I do."
4. Hamilton's nick-name, \_\_\_ City
9. The Big \_\_\_ (Attraction in Colborne, ON)
14. Past
15. Safari outfit hue
16. Hold up
17. Pro
18. Got smart, \_\_\_ up
19. Particular purple
20. T.O. transport provider
21. Mr. Frehley
22. Ads-emailed-in-bulk source
24. Interrupt the stand-up
27. Fiber \_\_\_ (Cereal brand)
28. Depart, poetically
30. Incision
32. Health food berry
36. Dominica's capital
38. BC's provincial bird, \_\_\_ Jay
40. Summer hrs. acronym
41. NB: Saint John Airport code
43. Antacid brand
44. San Francisco's \_\_\_ Hill
45. Lea Michele or Chris Colfer: 2 wds.
48. Newfoundland town; or, Neptune moon
50. Rockefeller Center muralist
51. Overlook
53. University bldgs.
54. Large bird



56. \_\_\_ du Soleil
58. Reflection gives
62. Romanian currency
63. Seed holder
66. Prefix to 'clast' (Image breaker)
67. Surface
69. New in Toronto, \_\_\_ Khan Museum
70. Actor Lorenzo

71. Ladies' men
72. Blood hue
73. CBC's "Republic of \_\_\_"
74. Apprehensive feeling
75. Golf peg

#### Down

1. Float, as a scent
2. Rita Moreno is one

of the few artists to have won all four major showbiz awards, known together by this acronym  
3. NB village; or, former name of Montreal's Boulevard Rene-Levesque  
4. New in Vancouver, \_\_\_ Lodge Aboriginal

- Hotel & Gallery
5. Syrupy
6. Conference room chart supports
7. Supplement
8. Container closers
9. Commercials gig
10. Canadian breakfast serving, \_\_\_ bacon
11. Fruit type
12. Bathe

13. Observer
23. Strong/effective
25. Summer: French
26. Chicago trains
28. Mr. Kinnear's
29. George Gershwin co-composed tune: "Tee-\_\_\_Un-Bum-Bo"
31. 'Meteor' suffix
33. Hairstyle wearer's preference, perhaps: 2 wds.
34. "\_\_\_ with a View" (1985)
35. Book codes, briefly
37. The Beatles played Shea Stadium during it in '65: 2 wds.
39. "Still In Line" by Canadian emcee/producer \_\_\_ feat. Promise
42. Jelly
46. Lasting
47. Mr. Ocasek
49. Promissory note
52. Kitchen floors surface
55. Canuck creature
57. Respites
58. Balmy
59. Flight-related UN Agency headquartered in Montreal [acronym]
60. "\_\_\_ and Michele's High School Reunion" (1997)
61. Big tale
64. Arch type
65. Florida: Miami-\_\_\_ County
68. Stimp's pal

### Yesterday's Crossword



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### Conceptis Sudoku by Dave Green

#### How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

#### Yesterday's Sudoku

2	7	9	5	8	1	4	3	6
1	4	6	3	9	7	5	8	2
5	3	8	6	2	4	7	9	1
4	2	1	7	6	8	9	5	3
7	9	3	4	5	2	6	1	8
8	6	5	1	3	9	2	4	7
3	8	7	9	4	6	1	2	5
9	1	2	8	7	5	3	6	4
6	5	4	2	1	3	8	7	9

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	9				8	6		
		2						7
7				8	5	9		
	5						3	
			3	4	2			6
5						1		
		6	5					4
	2		7					

## What's an 8 letter word that avoids bankruptcy?

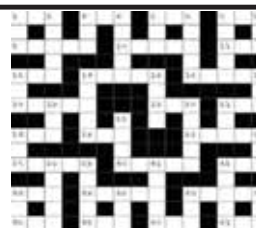
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## OVER 1,000 CANADIANS HEAD TO ECUADOR FOR THEIR RETIREMENT

The trend is not new: each year, thousands of Canadians flee the cold and the snow, heading south to sun destinations for weeks or months at a time. But for the most part, only the most adventurous dare to take the next big step and acquire their own property outside of Canada.

### GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT: KEY FACTORS

The Canadian company HolaEcuador understood the challenges faced by Canadian snowbirds and now facilitates the sun property acquisition process. After having visited Mexico, Costa Rica and Panama, company co-owners Yves Cormier and Gordon Poole chose Ecuador as the ideal location. The quality of the country's infrastructure, incredible biodiversity, low cost of living, beautiful landscapes, accessible and modern healthcare system and year-round mild climate were the decisive factors.

"Since 2010 we have helped hundreds of Canadians acquire a property on the Pacific coast of Ecuador", says M. Cormier, VP Sales and Marketing. "We are literally creating an entire seaside village. Of the 1,700 properties that we had available at the start of the project, only 700 remain unsold. And now with the majority of the site infrastructure completed, home construction is ramping up quickly."



Irina and Sasha Oulianov, HolaEcuador clients

Mr. and Mrs. Oulianov, from Ottawa, ON, recently purchased their property in HolaEcuador's urban development. "The ability to sign a Canadian contract was reassuring for us", indicates Mrs. Oulianov. "Furthermore, the HolaEcuador representatives in our area answered all our questions and helped us throughout the entire purchase process. The whole experience was very positive!"

### GOOD TIME TO INVEST

For now, Ecuador remains a relatively well-kept secret. Properties in Ecuador are much more affordable than in similar tourist destinations, which is one of the main reasons that Canadian travelers and investors are flocking to the region. "Prices reflect what was available in Costa Rica 15 years ago, but in a country where first-rate and modern infrastructure is already in place" confirms Mr. Poole. "Further, the Ecuadorian government is very stable and the currency is the US dollar, which is also very reassuring for investors.", he adds.

All that said, prices are rising quickly with the current real estate boom in the region. The Oulianovs wanted to act quickly and take advantage of the favorable market. "The development itself is spectacular - an endless beautiful beach, lots of parks and gardens, services available right on the site, and a ton of activities available in the region. We're convinced that this will be a fantastic community in a secure and comfortable environment."

### TO GET MORE INFORMATION

"At HolaEcuador's informational Seminar I was pleased to discover the high level of professionalism of the developers and the overall quality of the project. In addition to providing lots of interesting information about Ecuador in general, Mr. Poole also provided an in-depth look into this residential project and he took the time to answer numerous questions from the participants. The information that was provided at the seminar left me with a great deal of confidence to take the next steps in realizing my dream." says Al Hendley, a client in Ottawa.



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